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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 16 April 2004 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) ☐ entered.
- b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.  
Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.
- d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) ☒ entered in part. See explanation below.

*The amendment to p. 7 of the specification has been entered.*

*The amendment to the abstract has been entered.*

*NO amendments to the claims have been entered because (1) applicants' attorney, Mr. Mion, indicated that no amendment was intended for claim 1 (although the claim identifier reads "currently amended"); and (2) the other proposed amendments change the scope of claims.*



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